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「死の恐怖」スケィス、開眼!!

世界最大のネットゲーム「The World」で意識不明に陥ったかつての仲間・志乃を救うため、「G.U.」と行動を共にすることになった主人公・ハセヲ。AIDA＝PC化したエンデュランスとの闘いの中、自らの憑神（アバター）スケィスに目覚める。新たな力を手に入れたハセヲは、再び仇敵・三爪痕（トライエッジ）に立ち向かうが――!?

アトリ、志乃のちょうちんブルマを踏くのが楽しいです。上のペンギンは現在の私のサイフです!!

漫画版では藤光がチョイ役で羨ましいです。彼女のドラマはゲーム版で是非!!

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clatter
MIA...
MY CAT...
THAT'S RIGHT,
IT'S ONLY FOR FUN.
clatter
SHE HAS TO STAY BY MY SIDE...
OKAY,
LET'S DEFEAT HASEO.

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CHAPTER 5 AVATAR, AWAKEN
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THAT'S HASEO'S AVATAR-...!
"THE TERROR OF DEATH," SKEITH...

...WHAT'S GOING ON? THEY HAVEN'T MOVED AT ALL FOR AWHILE NOW.
WHAT'S WITH THOSE TWO?
HEY, KEEP ON FIGHTING!
...THE EPITAPHS HIDDEN IN THOSE TWO PCS RESONATED,
AND HASEO'S AVATAR WAS AWAKENED.

THE AIDA=PC ARE THE MAIN CAUSE OF PEOPLE LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS,
STILL... EVEN WITH THE SYSTEM, THEY CAN'T RESTRICT THE ACCESS OF AIDA=PC... RIGHT?
ENDRANCE IS NO LONGER OF "THE WORLD"'S SYSTEM..
...GHOST?
THE AUDIENCE IS WATCHING A GHOST OVER THERE.
crack
...HEY, YATA?
WHY DID G.U. LET ENDRANCE FEND FOR HIMSELF TO THIS EXTENT...?

YATA -SAMA?
...SHEDDING LIGHT ON THOSE GHOSTS' TRUE FORMS IS OURS, AND G.U.'S, GOAL!
NOW, SHOW ME!
"THE TERROR OF DEATH"!
THE FIRST BATTLE EVER... OF WILLPOWER INCARNATE!
SHOW ME A CLASH OF AVATARS...

...MIA?
YOU'RE INTERESTED IN HASEO?
...NO,
LOOK ONLY AT ME...!
--...
...YOU'RE REALLY ANNOYING.
...YOU'RE MAKING ME ANGRY.

DISAPPEAR
...
FROM
MY SIGHT!
clank

clank
clank
IS HASEO GETTING ATTACKED?
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?!
...!
THIS IS BAD...
...AVATAR IS A POWER THAT LINKS THE SPIRIT TO THE PC.
IF HE IS ATTACKED BY AN AIDA=PC AVATAR...

HASEO,
YATA -SAMA!
THE MIND OF THE REAL PLAYER WILL BE IN PERIL...
AT THIS RATE, HASEO'S PLAYER WILL...!
YOU HAVE NO "POWER."
YOU DON'T HAVE THE SKILL TO WIELD THAT "POWER"...
EVEN IF YOUR "POWER" HAS AWAKENED,
THIS IS THE END.
NOW...

thud
.....?!

...
YOU'RE
SMALL FRY
.....
I AIN'T
GONNA LISTEN
TO THAT CRAP
FROM YOUR
FILTHY MOUTH!!
SFX:
Grip

Crack
It hurts...?!
...?!
GUAAH..!
DOES IT HURT?
!
...THIS IS IT.
Finally, I have...
THIS IS REAL PAIN...

"POWER"!!
the same amount of "power"
as AIDA
and Tri-Edge,
I'VE OBTAINED IT...!

I UNDER-STAND...
YOU ARE ME,
SKEITH...

MY "POWER"...
WAS SLEEPING WITHIN ME.
.....AH...
THIS IS "THE TERROR OF DEATH," HASEO'S

thud
"POWER"!!

My only
friend...
My cat...
...
...Mia...
Mia...!

was killed...
My cat was...
killed...!

.....
THESE ARE...
THE MEMORIES OF ENDRANCE'S PLAYER..?
THAT'S RIGHT.
...
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
TRANSLATES THE PLAYER'S MEMORIES INTO IMAGES, USING "THE WORLD" AS A MEDIUM.
CONTACT BETWEEN AVATARS,
OVAN..?!
THEN THAT MEANS ...

AIDA CLINGS TO PEOPLE'S MINDS.
AND IS ADDICTIVE...
IN THE END, IT STEALS EVERYTHING.
MAKES FOOLS OUT OF THEM,
IT SHOWS THEM WHAT THEY WANT,
JUST LIKE A DRUG.

HEY, WHAT'S GOING ON?
HASEO -SAN
THOSE TWO AREN'T MOVING!
WHA--!
IS THE CONNECTION MALFUNCTION -ING ..?
waver
...SHE'S NOT DEAD...
MIA'S... ALWAYS WITH ME...

ISN'T THAT RIGHT...
MIA...?
.....
I GET IT.
HISS
ENDRANCE,
THE AIDA THAT'S STUCK TO YOU-...

whoosh
HOW DARE YOU INVADE MY THOUGHTS!!
WHY YOU!
SHAAA!
IT BECAME A DEAD CAT,
AND TOOK ITS PLACE IN ENDRANCE'S HEART.

GUAA-
AAAAAAH!
...YOU
BECAME OBSESSED WITH AN AIDA ONLY BECAUSE YOUR CAT DIED...
THAT'S WEAK.

YOU'RE A BASTARD WHO'S ABSORBED IN SUCH WEAK SORROW.
MY BATTLE...
--I,
IS NOTHING LIKE THAT--!!

Your resolution—
One's willpower determines the strength of the Avatar!
As long as there's someone they want to save—
people will become stronger!
thud
...WHAT DID YOU SAY "POWER" WAS?

TELL ME ONCE MORE
ENDRANCE!!
AAAAH!
AAAAA-

...CAT GOT YOUR TONGUE?
...IN THAT CASE,
LET ME TEACH YOU WHAT POWER IS.

"POWER"!!
YOU
DON'T HAVE--
AAAH!

slash
HASEO FINALLY GOT HIS HANDS ON THE POWER OF AVATARS ... ACTIVATE!!

NEW .ｈａｃｋ//ＧＵ＋へっ！ 談話

Re：Chapter 05 Ciaxs.jes

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Hey everyone! I'm your new GU+ editor Ciaxs.jes! I hope you all enjoy my first attempt at editting. Don't worry, I'll try to cook up some more .hack related things in the near future! Hope too see you all soon! ^_^

pong
YATA -SAMA
ANOTHER COMATOSE INDICATOR MAIL...
SHOW THE ATTACHED FILE...
!
.hack//G.U.+
YES.
appear
--!
YATA -SAMA...
THIS IS...!

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ORIGINAL WORK HAMAZAKI TATSUYA
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SERIAL KILLINGS
...AH! HEY, LOOK OVER THERE..!
IT'S HASEO!
YEAH, THE NEW CHAMPION OF THE ARENA!
EH? ...THEN HE DEFEATED ENDRANCE...?
OH, I SAW THAT!
HE WAS INSANELY STRONG!

HASEO -SAN,
...GOOD EVENING.
step

IT WAS LIKE THE MATCH ENDED BEFORE MY EYES COULD MOVE!
THE TITLE MATCH WAS AMAZING!
IT'S JUST AS I SUSPECTED.. THE BATTLES OF THE ELITE REALLY ARE DIFFERENT...
I THOUGHT I'D BE HEARING SERMONS... BUT INSTEAD I GET FLATTERY?
DON'T YOU HATE PKKS?
HOWEVER THE ARENA'S FAIR.
IT'S DIFFERENT FROM PKKING,
AND BE-SIDES,
SAKAKI-SAN WOULD EVEN LET YOU JOIN THE "LUNAR TREE."
EHH...?
SAKAKI-SAN SAID THAT...?
HUH?

DON'T TRUST BRATS WHO USE OTHER PEOPLE'S WORDS, PRETENDING THEY UNDERSTAND WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING, AND MAKE THEM THEIR OWN.
I...
.....
YOU'RE STRONG, HASEO -SAN...
I'M USELESS.
IF I DON'T DEPEND ON SOMETHING, I'M DONE FOR.
I'M... USELESS IN REAL LIFE TOO.
SHOULD I SAY I WAS REJECTED
I WAS THE WORST IN SCHOOL.
OR THAT I WAS LIKE AIR?
...BUT,

I...
DON'T HAVE ANYTHING BESIDES THE NET,
BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE I CAN BE MYSELF.
AS LONG AS THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO RESPECT ME,
AND PEOPLE WHO WILL ACKNOWLEDGE ME,
...I'LL DO MY BEST.
...UM, I HEARD FROM OVAN-SAN,
ABOUT SHINO-SAN,
HAD THE SAME STYLE OF PC AS I DO.
IT SEEMS THAT HASEO'S FRIEND FROM THE SAME GUILD
AH.. BUT WHAT DID HE MEAN BY "SAVE"...?

WHAT HAPPEN -ED--?
.....
HASEO -SAN?
WHAT...
ARE YOU TRYING TO GET AT?
EH?
grab

ARE YOU SAYING
YOU'LL DANGLE AFTER ME
OR THAT YOU WANT TO MEET WITH ME IN REAL LIFE?
blush
THAT'S NOT...
BESIDES ...IF YOU MET ME IN REAL LIFE, YOU'LL HATE ME.
I'M... A BORING PERSON.
...THAT'S THE WAY.
YOU SHOW YOUR WEAKNESS
AND WIN MEN'S FAVOR.

WHAT DO YOU WANT?
--!
SYMPHATHY?
YOU SAID BEFORE
THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING WAS BEING GRATEFUL?
.....!!

HASE-
WHAT I NEED...
I DON'T NEED IT.
THUD

IS "POWER"!
THE THING THAT CAN CHANGE ME...
THAT CAN SAVE PEOPLE
IS "POWER"...!

pong
...FROM SAKAKI -SAN...
MAIL...
.....

I'M SORRY.
I SEEM TO HAVE ANNOYED YOU.
...I'LL STAY AWAY FROM NOW ON.
.....!
SFX: Tap

DAMN IT!
Stop Pkking?
How can you say that?
WHEN YOU--
WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING...!
Don't ask anything of me when I've lost everything!
Don't hope anything for me!
If you do that...

I WILL
I'll live without any troubling thoughts...
I want to meet her...!
...but even so...
LIVE WITHOUT LOSING ANYTHING...
SHINO...

pong
IT'S MY TURN NOW...?

ENDRANCE...?!
TRI-EDGE...!!

HOW DID THIS...?
AN IMAGE OF ENDRANCE WAS ATTACHED TO THE COMATOSE INDICATION MAIL ADDRESSED TO YATA-SAMA.
ENDRANCE'S PLAYER IS.....
...ISN'T THIS UNDER MAC ANU'S BRIDGE?
IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SAID THAT NORMAL PLAYERS CAN'T ENTER THE WATER.
WE HAVE CONFIRMED HE IS IN A COMA.
BUT WE CAN ENTER THROUGH THE SYSTEM'S AUTHORITY...
.....!

THEN WHY IS THE BODY HERE?
...THE CULPRIT
IS BYPASSING THE SYSTEM...?

...SAKAKI-SAN,
I'M HERE.
IT'S ME, ATOLI.
△ HIDDEN FORBIDDEN ULTIMATE FORTRESS MORLIE BARROW FORTRESS
...SAKAKI-SAN...?

thunk
THE AVATAR'S...
.....
JUDGING FROM THE FACT THAT THE AVATAR'S SHOWN, WE KNOW THAT THIS ISN'T A SYNTHESIZED IMAGE OR A PRANK...

ENDRANCE ...
He was defeated even though he had an Avatar...
.....
a "power" that only an Epitaph User can control...
Avatar...
and even then, he...
EPITAPH USER PCS ARE UNIQUE PCS CREATED BY THE CC COMPANY IN A PROJECT OF THEIRS.
.....Epitaph?
...HEY,
WHAT'S AN EPITAPH IN THE FIRST PLACE?
THEY HAVE DATA CALLED "MORGANA'S FACTOR" INSERTED INTO THEM WHICH NORMAL PCS DON'T HAVE.

MORG-ANA'S FACTOR?
YUP,
AND THE MORGANA'S FACTOR IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE EPITAPH
...OH
SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE "EPITAPH" USERS
...EPITAPHS
ARE A BLACK BOX THAT CONNECT OUR MINDS TO THE PC...
!?
FOR EXAMPLE,
I AM THE "AVENGER" EPITAPH. MY AVATAR'S NAME IS TARVOS.

KUHN'S, "THE PROPAGATION", IS MAGUS,
AND HASEO'S, "THE TERROR OF DEATH," IS SKEITH...
THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 8 MORGANA'S FACTORS.
THE EIGHT EPITAPHS EACH HAVE THEIR OWN NAMES
THEN HE'S ALSO ONE OF THEM...
ENDRANCE IS THE THIRD SACRIFICE

.....
YATA...
SAKUBO,
!
THE SECOND SACRIFICE,
AND...

POP

SHINO...?!
.....!

WHY YOU!
HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO SHINO'S PC...!
THESE THREE ARE EPITAPH USER PCS.
....
HUH...?

SHINO...
was an Epitaph User...?!
BUT THE PC DATA
OF THE REMAINING BODIES HAVE LOST THE MORGANA'S FACTOR.
IN OTHER WORDS..

TRI-EDGE'S TARGETS IS THE MORGANA'S FACTOR.
--!
HE'LL COME TO KILL YOU.
THIS TIME HE WILL AIM FOR YOUR EPITAPH USER PCS ..
What...?!

...SAKAKI -SAN SURE IS LATE...
!
EVEN THOUGH HE WAS THE ONE WHO TOLD ME TO BE PUNCTUAL...
AH,
SAKAKI-SA-!

WHAT IS TRI-EDGE'S GOAL FOR TARGETING THE EPITAPH USERS...
CHAPTER 6 -FIN-
CONTINUE TO THE NEXT ISSUE!

NEW .ｈａｃｋ//ＧＵ＋へっ！ 談話

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Ciaxsjes is back with another chapter of GU+ (and 4koma)! I'm sure your anticipating hack//GU Vol2 Reminisce to come out soon in the US. Meanwhile, why not send me a PM through the many hack sites to give me criticism. I'm still new afterall!

Chapter 7: Logout Disabled

It does.
But Shino
. this is just a game
Other people here are just
In everyone's life will come some moment when they need a helping hand
When that happens..
Those who rejected others..
..and those who trampled upon others..

We're all sitting at our computers playing a game, aren't we?!
This is The World, right?!
grab
You tell me what the hell's going on!
Same thing here...
.....
But I...right now, I'm not holding a controller...
I can't feel my chair!
I can't see a frame around the display!

Tell us what's going on!
You're one of CC Corp's Game Masters, aren't you?!
What's going to happen to us?!
Right now...
...I'm seeing...
...The World directly with my own eyes

What the hell?!
Where's the real me who's looking at the screen?!
Calm down.
Yata-sama...
Damn!
. what on earth..?
..have lost the ability to log out of the server.
It would seem that all players currently logged in, including ourselves...

We are unable to perceive our bodies in the real world...
!!
...and we are unable to make contact with anyone outside The World.
That's impossible!
Are you saying our souls have been taken from our bodies?!
You yourself must feel that you are a part of this game world
You know this is no joke

Reality is comprised of the electric impulses in our brains interpreting our surroundings.
But, sir!
This has nothing to do with souls or the occult.
This is simply a matter of perception.
They say nothing is impossible...
.....

S-so, is this what I think it is?
Are the AIDA behind this?
That seems the most likely case
.....
Then ...
...it's almost as if we've become Lost Ones.

Where are you going?
!
IF the AIDA caused this, then Tri-Edge has to be involved.
I'm going to find him.
What?! Were you even listening?
Tri-Edge is after the Morganna Factors we have!

That's perfect.
?!
Tri-Edge is an AIDA.
And I have an Avatar.

We're on a level playing field.
And no matter what...
We'll see whose will is stronger.
That means we both have the power to kill each other.
...I'm not going to lose to anyone!

Because I...
Tri-Edge!
...have nothing left to lose.

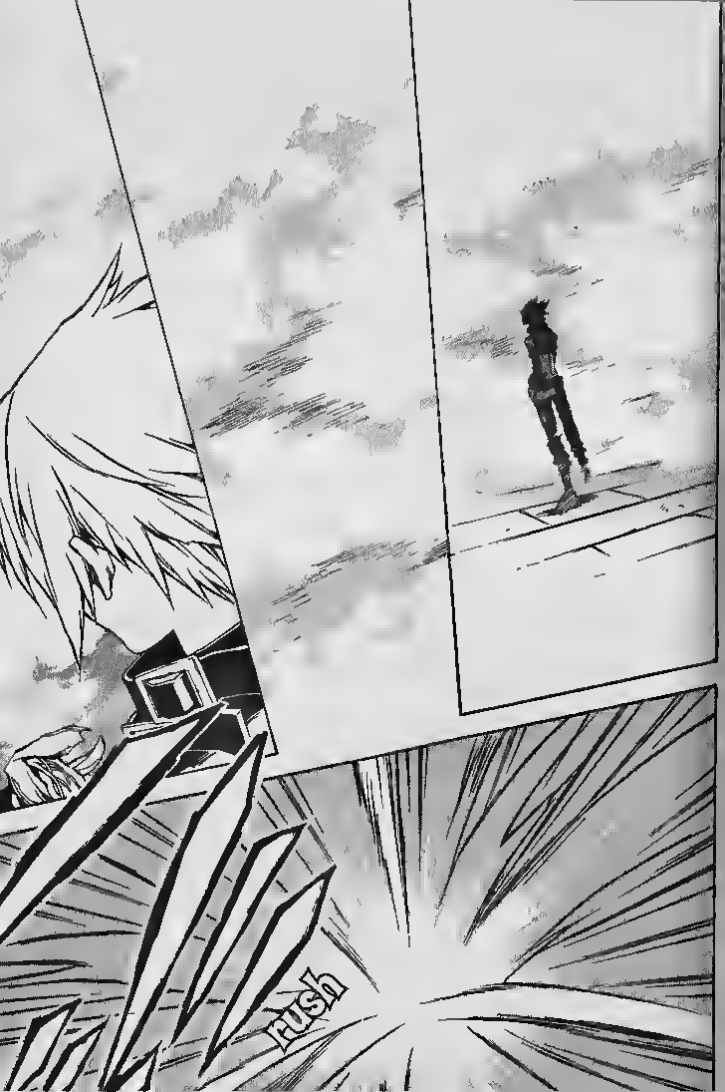
Here I am!
I'm at ΔHidden Forbidden Waterfall: Arche Koeln Waterfall!
Come and get me!
...is to get back what he took from me!
All I want...

It doesn't really matter, does it?

They'll have no one to save them.
.....
Shino?
For you
Listen, Haseo.

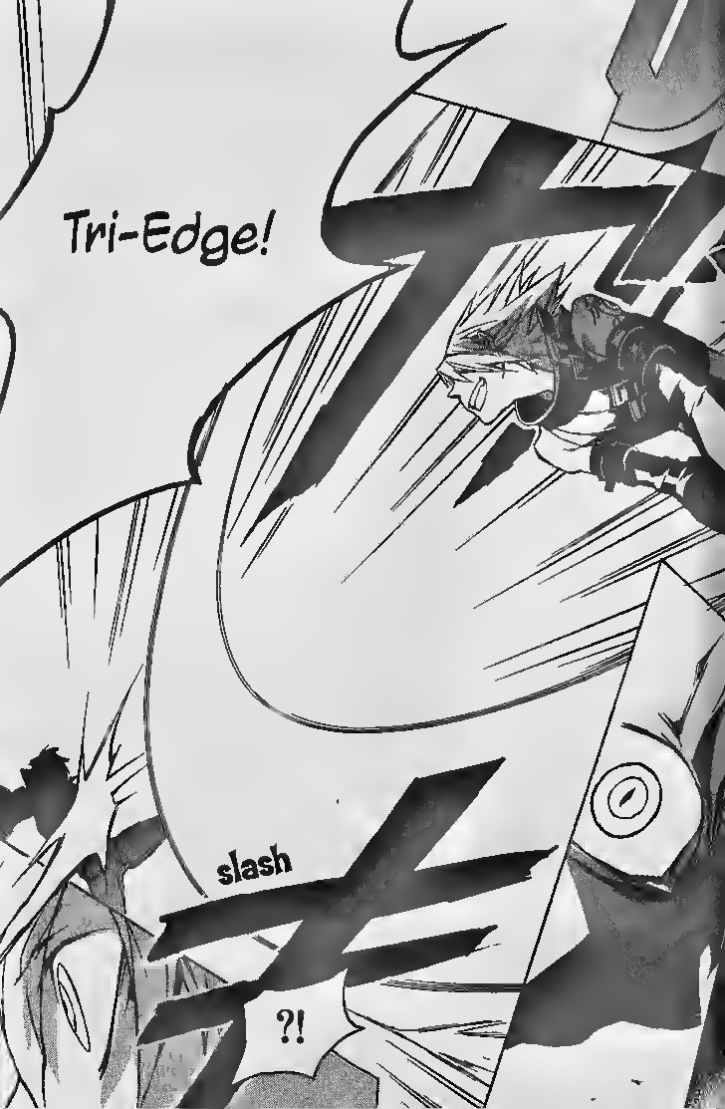
Don't look away.
If you look into another person's eyes, you can really communicate with them.

ΔHidden Forbidden
Waterfall:
Arche Koeln Waterfall


rush

crash

What's the matter?
You starting to go weak on me?


Tri-Edge!
slash
?!

ドゴ
...Damn
It's just you.

You were in the hospital?
The moment I got done in by that bastard with the blue hair...
That's when I come to, back in the real world.
I just don't get it.
That's right. She can't see the Avatars...
I can't log out!
I really don't get it at all.
And what happens when I log in right after getting out of the hospital?
Grrr
That's Bordeaux to you
Sounds like a good streak of bad luck, Little Miss Loser

Heh.
Like I'd tell some lousy jerk like y--
Anyway...
...how'd you get the power of the AIDA?
.....
Ah...

Which will it be?
You can tell me...
!
O-okay! I'll talk!
...or I can force it out of you.
This player you're referring to—
Who is it?
I was determined to beat you—
—even if it meant cheating.
Someone told me there was an item that would make my character stronger

And some level one throwaway character came to hand over the item.
It was just an e-mail from an unknown sender.
We've never met in person.
On the outside it looked like a normal Healing Potion...
..but when I used it...
..it was as if I linked directly with my character
The feeling was like ..
...some kind of drug.

It told me that everyone but me was trash
That I was right and everyone else was wrong
!!
So, there's someone trying to infect others with AIDA...
Could it be Tri-Edge...?
When I catch him, I'll wring how to save Shino right out of him!
And then... Hey!
spin

Mac Anu
Dammit...!
Staying up all night is messing with my head!
I'm scared!
Waaah!
If I'm in The World, what's that mean for the real me?
Mommy!!

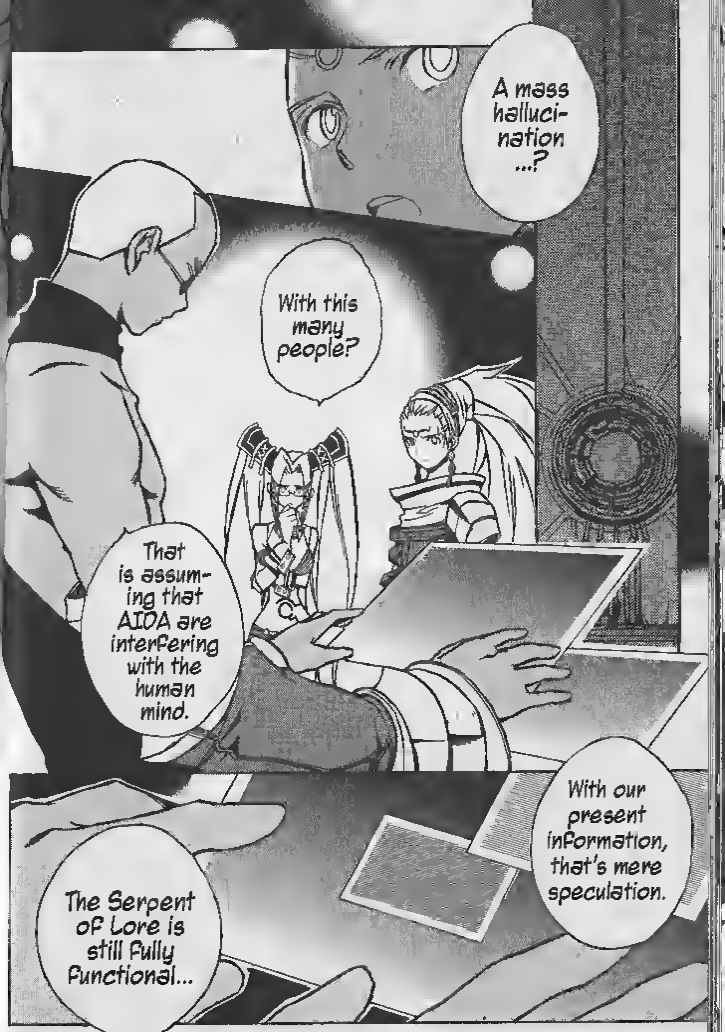
You there.
I'll kill you, you stupid brat!
Eek!
Will you shut up?!
We don't appreciate violence here.
Ack..!
Sakaki From Moon Tree?!
It's against the End User License Agreement to threaten other players excessively

We ask for your cooperation in keeping peace in the town.
You and your freaking cult! You don't have any authority!
It's just a request from one person to another.
Besides, what you are doing is sort of a threat too!
Damn you!
Let's go, Grein!
dash
dash
But given the unusual situation...
That's true, Matsu.
...it hardly seems strange for players to panic.
His bark is worse than his bite.

However, if we were to lose our senses now, we would be completely consumed by this crisis.
I've gotta say, my head already feels like it's starting to go
Same here
...Ah.
Well, well...

How dare you insult --?!
Huh Do I even know you?
Tch" step
So even The Terror of Death has gotten caught up in this.
Incidentally, Hasso-kun...
Have you seen Atoli?
You're all Atoli's been talking about these past few days.
I assumed you were friends.
...Why are you asking me?

...Heh
What about you? Didn't you send a message asking to meet her somewhere?
...No.
I haven't sent her any such e-mail.
What...?


A mass hallucination ...?
With this many people?
That is assuming that AIDA are interfering with the human mind.
With our present information, that's mere speculation.
The Serpent of Lore is still fully functional...

...and so G.U. must investigate!
Now that we've been taken over to the AIDA side, this is the perfect chance!
Hold on a second!
We need to find a way to get them out of here...
The players' safety comes first!
That is why we will investigate, Kuhn.

.....!
!
Haaaa!
Tell me where the PC Atoli is.
Just tell me, goddammit!
Oh? What about your plan of using yourself as bait to reel in Tri-Edge?

How dare you speak like that to Yatesama?!
slap
Moron.
I don't feel a thing when you slap me.
If you're trying to hurt me, use your Avatar.
Hold on, you two!
Now I'm really starting to get mad!

The PC Atoli is not present in any Field in The World
...there is no trace of her logging out.
How-ever ...
...What the...?
She is lost.

The PC Atoli has disappeared from the system.
But that .!
That's what happened to Endrance!
There is nothing to indicate the PC Sakaki sent any messages at that time
Was it Sakaki ?
The last person to send Atoli a message...

So then ...
...who posed as Sakaki and sent Atoli that fake e-mail?
The last area where Atoli was logged in was...

... Δ Hidden Forbidden Bulwark.
It can't be...!

The hands of a clock can never turn back.
Thus...
...we may only move forward.

Back in the Brigade...
They say there used to be a statue of a girl here.
A girl?
Aura.
It seems that was her name.
So, what happened to it?
Hmm...
Maybe she got bored...
...with this world.

This game has a peculiar sort of autonomy
Auton-omy?
There exist parts of the game that aren't run by any of CC Corp's protocols, but by the rules of the game itself
..I don't get it.
The Key of the Twilight.
It is not the creation of a Game Master, but an item produced by The World.
?!
There's no way...!
It exists.
Or at least that is the assumption.
. under which our Twilight Brigade plays the game.

Chapter 8: Limits and Conflicts
△Hidden Forbidden Bulwark: Morrigu Barrow Wall
So this is where Atoli...
.....
This is where she was lost from the system.
And where she likely became an AIDA-PC.
The point is...

Let's not jump to conclusions
This means that Tri-Edge is trying to infect people with AIDA, right?
It seems like that Bordeaux girl I got rid of was one such victim.
need to refully nalyze e data ePore ve--
!
You talk big, but in he end it's just talk!
You G.U. guys are all the same!

She isn't anything to me.
Just forget about her.
She's just some girl.
.....
clench
Damn...!
Dammit, woman!

What's beyond that wall?
?!
step

O--
Ovan!
There's nothing there
To conserve processing power, we don't create graphics for areas players can't see

So, you must be...
.....
Shock
!
You're beginning to sound just like Yate, Pi.
Ovan.
And also...
He carries a massive amount of unknown data in his left arm.

He holds data thought lost in the fire at CC Corp. two years ago.
...in his Player Character
The data for one of the Morganna Factors!
?!.....
What ...?
Does that mean ...?!

Ovan is...
...an Epitaph User as well?!

Corbenik.
"The Rebirth."
That is my power.

...as Shino and myself?
What are you saying ...?
The same ...
What the hell was the Brigade for?!
Tell me!
It was a tiny seed...

...is a mirror server produced by an AIDA.
This place...
You mean...
This is an AIDA phenom-enon on a server level?!
What...?
.....?
!!

...has trapped the players' consciousnesses in its own little laboratory
This AIDA...
Rage.
Doubt.
Fear.
Sorrow.

Here it has captured the essence of what it means to be human.
The AIDA...
In any case...
...even this AIDA-made mirror server has its own operations folder
Using the operations commands should allow you to transfer all the PC data to the original CC Corp. server
...is observing us?
And in doing so...

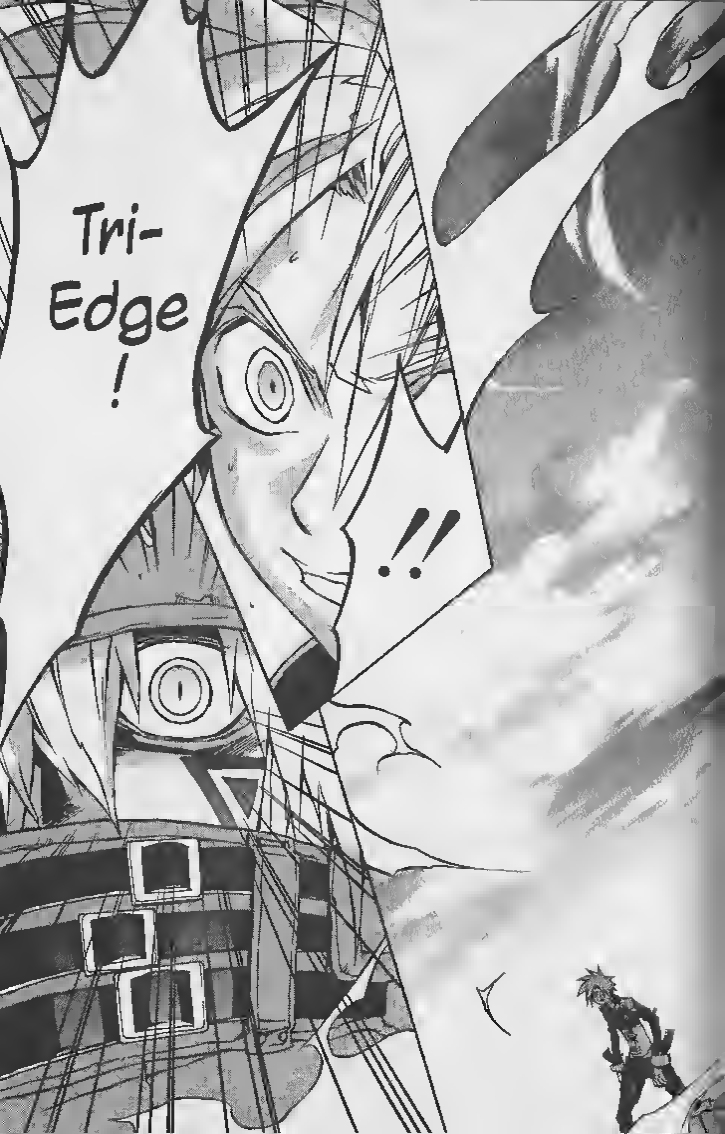
We can go back to the real world?!
Seriously?!
There's no way that Yata and his Serpent of Lore would be unaware of this possibility.
...What...?
Yata knew all along...
...how to return you to the real world.

For both Yata and the AIDA
– there's no better place than this to observe how the AIDA infection affects players
You're saying we're nothing but Yata's guinea pigs?!
grab
Listen, you.
If this is true...
...I'm gonna make Yata pay for this!

Foo
?!
What was that sound?!
Between the wolf and the hunter...
...who is really hunting whom?
We've got company.
Wait!
!

Damn!
Foom
?!

foom
That's ...?
Azure Flame...


Tri-
Edge
!
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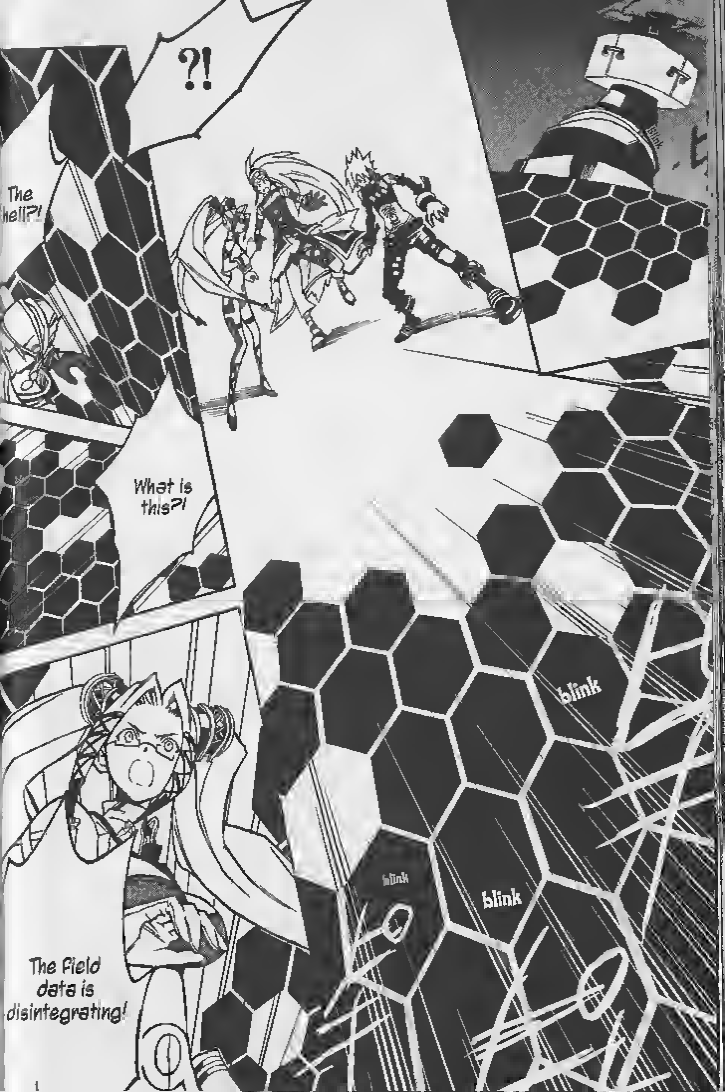

?!
The hell?!
What is this?!
blink
blink
blink
The field data is disintegrating!

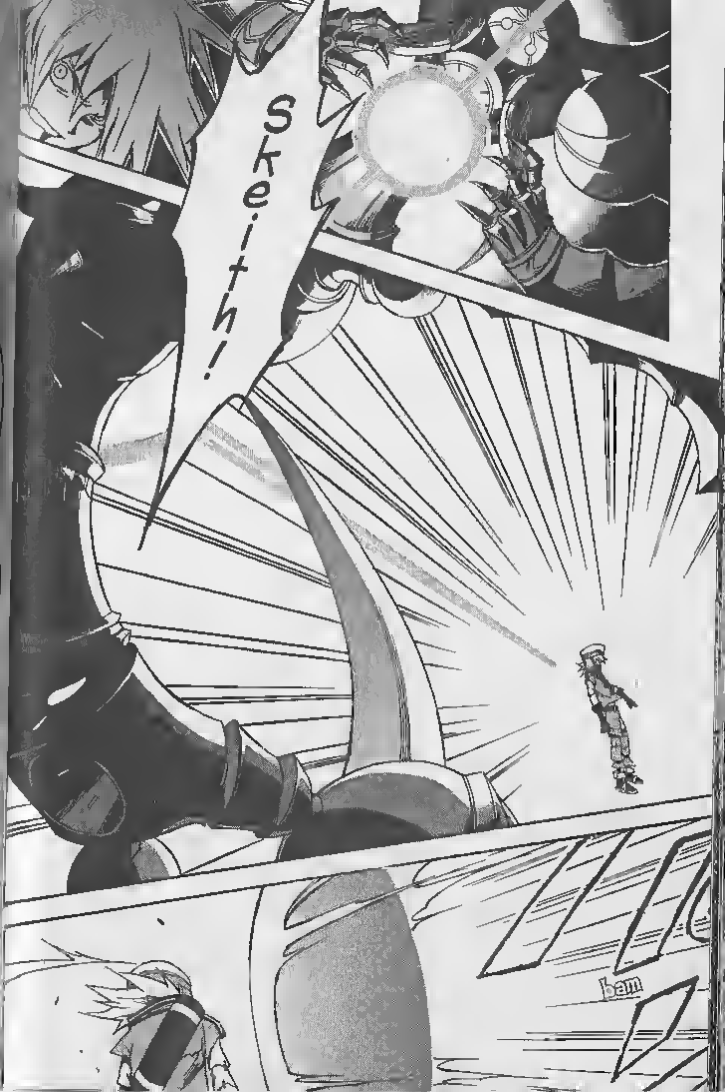
...For this chance!
...Heh
I've been waiting

You patched-together bastard
Now...
...give back the Lost Ones.

Give them back!

I've changed!
A lot's happened since we first fought.

So that's him
...
I won't let you hurt any more players!
He's the one turning players into Lost Ones!
Tri-Edge!
flash
wham
!
Gah!


Ske-ith!
bam

...I'll rip the answer right out of your mind!
Answer me, Tri-Edge.
Tell me how to get the Lost Ones back!
Fine. If you won't tell me...

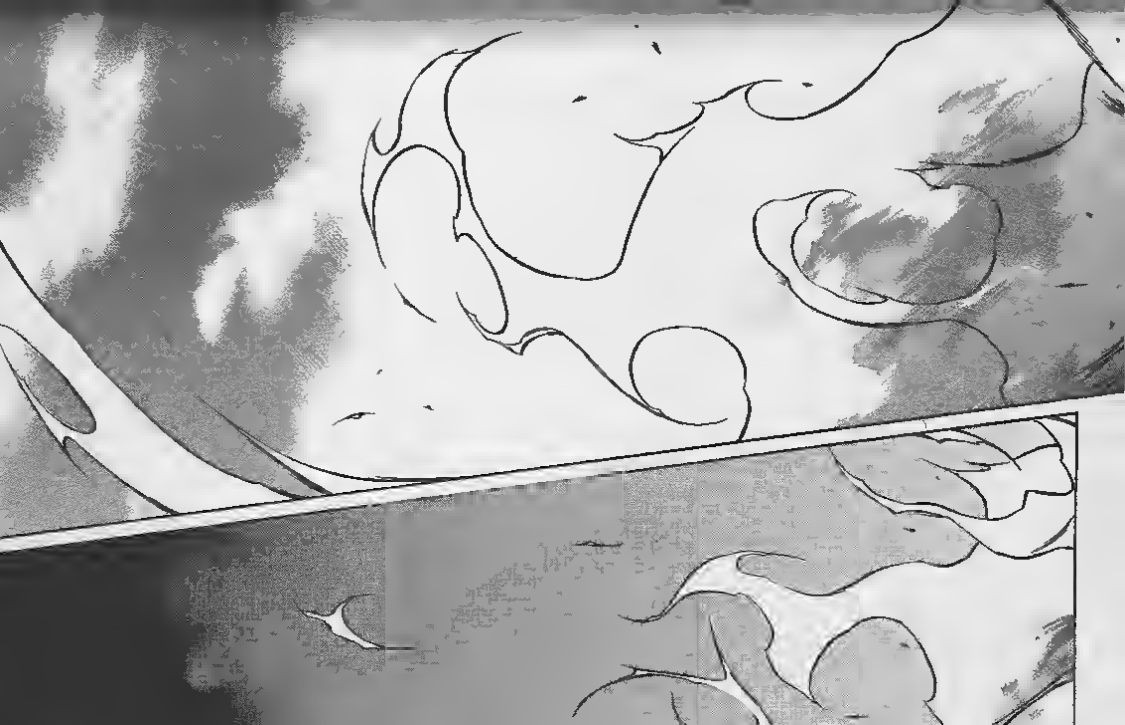
Ugh
Magus!
Tarvos!

...Grrr...

AAAAAAA

……?!

What did I see just now?
Ugh
...What was that?



Yata!
Explain yourself!
Why didn't you tell us about the operations folder?!
I didn't want to waste your time on idle speculation.
Convenient excuse.
You send us on some crazy investigation
Even so--!
...when we should be more concerned with the players' safety!
The reason G.U. exists is to solve the AIDA problem.
I do not remember asking for your opinion.

Now that we have dispatched one or two AIDA, do you think the problem has been solved?
We aren't detectives on the trail of the murderer Tri-Edge.
The AIDA are not an isolated incident, but an all-encompassing threat.
If we do not learn all we can, we won't be able to contain that threat.
.....
We must first learn about the AIDA.
Do you remember who it was that got a run-of-the-mill player like yourself a nice job at CC Corp?
...Heh
Fine
You go ahead and do whatever you want.

So now I'll protect players my own way.
All I ever wanted was to protect The World.
Kuhn!
Take care, Haseo.
Be sure they don't just throw you away...
...after they can't use you anymore.
Yata...
Don't think you're getting away with what you did

I still haven't been able to save anyone...
But
...I'm not going to run away.
From this point on, the weak will surely be weeded out.
As long as we're in the AIDA server, there will be no reality to run back to.
Very soon, something will reach its limit.

Be-
tween
the
scien-
tist
...and
the virus
under the
microscope
...who is
really
observing
whom...?
I wasn't
able to
solve any-
thing by
defeating
Tri-Edge.
I couldn't
help
Shino...

And probably...
...not Atoli, either...
...I am...
...Atoli...
I am...
...Chigusa Kusaka.
So very dark...
It's dark...

cough
Where am I...?
How long have we been trapped in here now?
People seem to be at their breaking points.

Canard Guild
@HOME
!
whine
whine
Hey, cheer up, Gaspard.
sniff sniff
Kuhn-san!
Ma--
!
Silabus!
So you've been here
わぁぁぁ
Waaahhh!
Masterrr!

Mas-
ter
.. we heard you were part of some volunteer group that was helping protect The World.
I was.
But it doesn't matter now
The Signs left by Tri-Edge function as irregular warp points
An AIDA Chaos Gate, you might say.

Yata-sama has put together a transfer program that will allow us to use this hole to our advantage.
This sign is a hole in the CC Corp server.
...as well as a hole in the AIDA Server.
So that's what happened before...
Did Atoli...?
...just what were you?
Tri-Edge...

No..
Shrug
I'm starting the hack.
Right now, I need to focus on getting back to the real world.
Now entering the Operations Folder!

His throat!
His heart!
BADUM
BADUM
BADUM
And the left half of his body is gone, but still
We'll start operating!
Not yet. This fight isn't over yet!